

Application No. 10/074,990
Amdt. Dated 06/01/2004
Reply to Office Action of 12/02/2003

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 6, please replace the first paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

—The funnel 8 is provided with a peripheral flange 28, which rests upon the upper edge 26 of the lower vessel 4. A strainer 30 is provided integrally in the funnel 8 for retaining a charge of coffee 32 and a removable filter plate 34 33 arranged on the top of the charge 32 to prevent grounds being carried into the upper vessel 6. —

On page 6 (and extending over to page 7), please replace the last paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

—As shown schematically in Figure 4, the control 42 includes a molded control body 42, which receives the heater 40, clips (not shown) being provided around the inner periphery of the control molding 44 to hold the heater 44, 40 in place on the control unit prior to its assembly into the appliance. The flange 34 of the vessel body 4 is provided with a number of bosses 46 which extend into bores 48 provided in the molding 44, the peripheral flange 50 of the heater being scalloped in the region of these bores in order to allow for the passage of respective fixing screws 52. A seal 54 is provided around the flange 50 of the heater, and when the control 42 and heater 40 are mounted to the vessel body 4 as a subassembly, the seal 54 is compressed against the flange 34 to make a water-tight seal around the heater 40 to prevent water entering the control 42. —